



# NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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WASHINGTON, D.C., JUNE 14, 1972 -- Senator Bob Dole today received assurance from the Interstate Commerce Commission that personnel of that agency will maintain a "close surveillance" to assure adequate railroad freight cars during the Kansas wheat harvest.

Senator Dole had requested the ICC to take action to make certain that an adequate number of railroad cars would be available during the harvest season.

Dole said, "Our farmers have everything at stake at harvest time and I don't want them losing income because of a lack of sufficient railroad cars to ship wheat."

Today's response from the ICC indicated that elevator managers in southeastern Kansas are ordering nothing but covered hopper cars. "This may create some problems...." the response indicated, unless the carriers can secure prompt return of their cars. The ICC has positioned service agents at strategic grain terminals to assist in proper handling.